MEETING OF THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

14 April 1964

The Commission met, pursuant to notice, in executive session, at 10:15 a.m., with William Walton, Chairman, presiding.

Present were: Members - William Walton
Gordon Bunshaft
Theodore Roszak
Aline Saarinen
Hideo Sasaki
John Carl Warnecke

Staff - L. R. Wilson, Secretary
C. H. Atherton, Asst.Sec'y
C. L. Martin, Counsel
Myra Younker, Editor
Leone Vialpando, Recorder

I. ADMINISTRATION

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as drafted.

2. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Commission was scheduled on 20 May 1964 at 9:30 a.m., with an executive session on May 19th at 10:15 a.m.

II. SUBMISSIONS-REVIEWS-INTERVIEWS

1. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

✓a. Modernization of the National War College at Fort Leslie J. McNair

The members examined plans and drawings of proposed improvements to the National War College. The improvements related to modernization of the interior and exterior of the building in connection with air conditioning it and providing an additional 10,000 square feet of office space.

It was proposed that the additional office space be acquired by construction of two one-story wings to be located between the existing esplanade and the building, and flanking the main entrance. The wings would have built-up flat roofs and would be of brick matching the existing building. The members thought that this proposal was preferable to constructing new wings attached to the College building itself. However, it was suggested

that the appearance of the additions would be improved if they were incorporated into the esplanade itself rather than being separate structures. This could be achieved by widening the esplanade and moving the existing balustrade closer to the building.

The other exterior changes related to alterations to the main doorway to permit a ventilation duct to be installed. The plans specified the removal of two existing wooden panels, one of which would be replaced with a clear glass panel with the insignia of the National War College etched on it, and the other by a grill to match an existing grill. It was suggested that the result of the proposal would be to break the elements into three parts and that a rich grillwork might be substituted to cover the entire space.

Final action was postponed pending a conference with the architect on the following day.

b. 1500 Man Dormitory, Bolling Air Force Base - Revised Design

The Commission examined plans and a scale model of a revised design for the building. A site plan of the cantonment area prepared by the Department of the Air Force and a master plan for the entire Anacostia/Bolling area prepared by the Department of Defense were also examined.

The cantonment site plan showed a large number of buildings including an additional dormitory identical to the one under consideration, a dining hall, gymnasium, band building, bowling hall, theater, dispensary, library, and a combination commissary, post office, and clothing sales building. These buildings were in a central area surrounded by a circular road. In addition, two 150-unit high-rise apartment buildings, 75 garden-type apartments, and 26 duplex units were shown immediately south of the cantonment area. All of these structures were proposed, since the area contains no buildings at the present.

The design of the dormitory building was unchanged from the submission considered at the meeting of the Commission on February 18th, 1964.

Mr. Robert Plavnick, Chief of Federal Projects Planning, National Capital Planning Commission, stated that the Planning Commission had considered the master plan for the Bolling/Anacostia area as well as the site plan for the cantonment area and was greatly concerned about a number of aspects of both plans. He said that the Planning Commission would consider the matter at its May meeting.

The members of the Commission were of the opinion that the Commission of Fine Arts should not approve the design of the dormitory building until such time as a satisfactory site plan had been prepared for the area. They thought the plan prepared by the Department of the Air Force was totally inadequate. They particularly criticised the proposal to

surround the entire cantonment area with parking for automobiles, the arbitrary shapes and placement of buildings and the spaces around them. They also reiterated their previous objections to the architecture of the proposed dormitory.

No action was taken pending a conference with the architects and representatives of the Corps of Engineers on the following day.

2. National Park Service, National Capital Region

a. Lansburgh Park, Model of Pavilion - Proposed Design

The Commission examined a scale model and drawings of the proposed design for a pavilion to be erected in Lansburgh Park in Southwest Washington. The proposed structure would consist of a plexiglass roof with four arches set on steel posts at each corner. The posts and roof supports would be encased in wood. The structure would be used as either a single unit or two or three units joined together.

The members thought the idea was interesting and original, but questioned several details such as the plexiglass roof, the use of wood covering the steel framework, and the arch of the roof which they thought should be made greater. It was concluded that the Commission should request the Park Service to study the design further in order to simplify it.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT A

b. South Boundary Channel Bridge - Revised Design

The Commission examined a revised design for the bridge intended to comply with the suggestion made at the March meeting that the masonry treatment of abutments be eliminated and that the areas under the abutments be paved.

The members approved the revised design after noting that the masonry had been eliminated.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT B

3. District of Columbia Government

a. Department of Buildings and Grounds

(1) New Elementary School, 18th & E Sts., N.E. - Proposed Design

Plans and elevations of a proposed design for a new elementary school to house 1,070 students were examined. The structure was U-shaped and consisted of a three-story wing and one-story wings grouped around a center court. Standard Occoquan red brick, a buff colored brick in the spandrels and conventional steel window sash were the materials of construction. Classrooms would be grouped on either side of a central corridor.

The members were of the opinion that the design for the school was unacceptable and should not be approved. They thought the plan showed none of the advances in the design of schools which have been made in recent years, and that it was drab and uninviting.

(2) New Junior High School, 16th and Irving Sts., N.W. - Revised Design

The Commission discussed a revision of the design for the school considered at the February meeting. The design retained the same basic shape as the previous submission except for the addition of a third story to the Sixteenth Street elevation. There were no significant changes in the architectural qualities of the proposed building.

The members agreed that the design as revised was still unacceptable to the Commission and should not be approved.

After examining the designs for the two schools the members discussed what steps the Commission might take to encourage better design of schools in the District of Columbia. They concluded that the Chairman should invite representatives of the District Board of Education and the Department of Buildings and Grounds to meet with the Commission at the May meeting to discuss the problem. It was also concluded that pending that conference the Commission would take no final action on the submissions.

(3) New Library, 24th and L Streets, N.W. - Revised Design

A revised design for the West End Branch Library was examined. The revision was intended to comply with the Commission's recommendations made at the February meeting that the treatment of the elevations be the same on all sides and that the building be rearranged on the site so as to eliminate a party wall on the north side.

The revised design did comply with the recommendations regarding uniformity of treatment and siting. However, the members noted that the architect had adopted a design nearly identical to that approved by the Commission in February, 1963 for the Southwest Branch Library at 3rd and K Streets, S.W. The revised design was a brick structure with pre-cast concrete columns and strip vertical windows.

The members thought the revised design was too similar in appearance to the adjoining Police Precinct No. 3 building. Moreover, they thought that a library should have the ground floor visible to the public so as to invite people to enter and that the design did not meet that prerequisite.

After studying the design it was concluded that the Commission should discuss the library with representatives of the District Government when they met at the May meeting, and that the scheduled conference with the architect on the following day should be cancelled.

b. Department of Licenses and Inspections

Shipstead-Luce Act Submissions

(1) New Office Building, 700 17th Street, N.W.-Revised Design

The members examined a revised design for a proposed office building to be located on the southwest corner of 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue. At the March meeting the members had suggested that the architect should restudy several aspects of the design such as the quality of the facade treatment, the use of a loggia on the eighth floor, and the treatment of the first floor.

In the revised design the architect had eliminated the loggia and the arcaded first floor and had proposed a new facade treatment using vertical triangular-shaped columns faced with stone, precast concrete spandrels, and aluminum window frames with solar-bronze glass.

The members thought that the revised design still lacked the qualities of distinction which a building in such close proximity to the White House, the Executive Office Building, etc. should have, and therefore could not be approved.

(2) New 12-Story Office Building, 415 12th Street, N.W. - Revised Design

A revised design for the large office building to be located on the northeast corner of 12th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue was reviewed. The revisions to the design consisted of the addition of a canopy over the main entrance on 12th Street and the substitution of an all glass facade treatment for the punched window design previously disapproved by the Commission in March.

The revised design was not acceptable to the Commission.

After studying the revised designs submitted for the two buildings the members concluded that the architects were no closer to reaching the

standard which the Commission believed should prevail on such important sites than in the previous submissions. They discussed possible courses of action which might be followed to encourage the development of buildings of excellent design. It was concluded that as a first approach the Chairman should invite the architects and owners of the buildings to meet with the Commission without the presence of newspaper reporters, to discuss the problem. It was also agreed that the members would offer no comment when the architects presented the buildings on the following day.

(3) New Office Building, 500 North Capitol Street, N.W.-Revised Design

The Assistant Secretary reported that the architect of the building would meet with the Commission on the following day to present a revised design.

(4) New Apartment House, Virginia Avenue & 22nd Street, N.W. - Revised Design

A revised design for the building was reviewed. The members had considered a prior design for the building at the March meeting and had concluded that it fell short of the standard of architecture expected for a building which would be located directly opposite the headquarters building of the World Health Organization. In particular they were critical of the treatment of the elevations, the arrangement of the bays and the siting of the building with the rear yard facing Virginia Avenue.

In the revised design the entrance of the building was changed to Virginia Avenue, changes were made to the facade treatment substituting glass for masonry, and the arrangement of the bays had been altered to eliminate some awkward corners.

The members thought the design had been improved, but were unable to clearly evaluate the design because of a lack of elevation drawings of all sides of the building. It was concluded that the Commission request detailed elevations when the architect appeared on the following day.

(5) New Apartment Building, 2502 Calvert St., N.W.-Proposed Design

The members examined site plans, photographs and drawings of the design for a new 8-story apartment building to be built by the Shoreham Hotel on the southeast corner of Calvert Street and 28th Street. The structure would be of brick matching the existing hotel building.

After examining the plans the Commission concluded that because of

its location the building would have no material effect on Rock Creek Park and approved the design as presented.

(6) Watergate Development, 2500 Virginia Avenue, N.W. - Inspection of Materials

The members inspected a number of concrete aggragated samples proposed for the structure. They were of the opinion that the textures were acceptable, but warmer tones should be used. It was decided that a panel mock-up should be requested on the site so that the materials could be examined in natural light.

The members also examined detailed drawings showing the proposed roof structures on Building No. 2. They were of the opinion that the form of the structures was unnecessarily varied and complicated and should be simplified. They also thought planting on the roof should be kept to a minimum.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT C

(7) Building Applications, Appendix 1

The Commission considered the actions taken on Shipstead-Luce building permit applications forwarded for review by the Department of Licenses and Inspections of the District of Columbia as listed in Appendix 1 of the Order of Business, dated 14 April 1964. Confirmation was given in each case of a favorable recommendation. The members also confirmed the unfavorable recommendations in the following cases:

S.L. 64-102 475 H St., N.W., Mr. M. Paul Hannan
S.L. 64-111 1815 Quincy St., N.W., Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bee

Old Georgetown Act, Public Law 808, 81st Congress

Building Permit Applications, Appendix II

The Assistant Secretary reported the actions taken after receipt of the recommendations of the Old Georgetown Board of Architects, on the permit applications forwarded for review by the Department of Licenses and Inspections. The report was dated 14 April 1964 and comprised Appendix II of the Order of Business. After examining the individual cases the Commission confirmed the favorable recommendations. Unfavorable recommendations were confirmed in the following cases:

O.G. 64-264 3122 M St., N.W., Georgetown Haberdasher
O.G. 64-267 3000 M St., N.W., Sinclair Refining Co.

4. English Speaking Union

Statue of Sir Winston Churchill - Proposed Site

Dr. Richard H. Howland, representing the English Speaking Union, and Mr. Robert A. Little, architect, met with the Commission to discuss the location of a statue of Sir Winston.

Scale drawings of the site showed the statue located astride the property line of the British Embassy grounds and District of Columbia property, and on axis with a circular pavilion. It was explained that the statue was placed so that it was symbolically located with one foot on English soil and one foot on American soil. A low stone wall would be constructed to the rear and two sides of the statue which would be set on a small terrace with benches on either side. Behind the wall would be a row of evergreens.

The members were of the opinion that the proposed location of the statue did not offer a satisfactory solution to the basic problem - the competition between the large mass of the pavilion building and the small eight-foot high statue. They suggested as a possible alternative that the statue be located off axis to the pavilion on an extension of a brick terrace. Another alternative location suggested was the small park on the southwest corner of the intersection of Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues which the members thought would be an ideal setting for a statue of the size proposed.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendation. EXHIBIT D

5. District of Columbia Government, Department of Highways & Traffic

Traffic Signs for Theodore Roosevelt Bridge and Approaches - Revised Designs

Mr. T. F. Airis, Director of the Department of Highways and Traffic, and Mr. William Haussmann, consulting architect, met with the Commission to present revised designs for highway signs proposed for the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge and its approaches.

Mr. Haussmann showed the members two alternative designs - one an open truss structure with the signs applied to it, and the other with the signs enclosing the truss structure entirely within it.

The members thought that the design with the truss work completely enclosed and the lettering applied directly to the signboard was a more direct and simple solution, and voted to approve it.

It was also agreed that a green color be approved for all painted

surfaces provided it was toned down from the standard shade used on signs in the Interstate Highway System.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT E

6. General Services Administration, Public Buildings Service

a. Smithsonian Institution, National Air Museum - Proposed Design

Mr. S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary, Mr. James Bradley, Assistant Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Mr. Phillip Hopkins, Director, National Air Museum, Mr. Karel Yasko and Mr. J. Rowland Snyder of the Public Buildings Service, and Mr. Gyo Obata, architect of Hellmuth, Obata and Kassbaum, met with the Commission to present preliminary plans for the National Air Museum to be located on the Mall between Fourth Street, Seventh Street, Independence Avenue and Jefferson Drive.

Mr. Obata explained the proposed concept of the building, its relationship to neighboring buildings and the Mall, and showed the members a large scale model of the building. The building would have two levels of underground parking for approximately 1400 automobiles, spaces for offices and research on the top floor, and two types of display areas - large spaces within which full size historical and prototype plans would be exhibited and smaller spaces where mementoes, small models and engines would be displayed. The north elevation facing the Mall would be largely glass.

In the general discussion the members asked the representatives of the Smithsonian and the Air Museum to comment on the objections which had been made that the Mall site was inappropriate for a museum dedicated to aviation and that the site might be too small to accomodate the need for future expansion. Mr. Ripley and Mr. Bradley responded that the site had been the subject of a great deal of debate and that a number of other sites had been suggested and examined, but the Mall site was selected by the Smithsonian because it best met the criterion of being where the people visiting the other museums in the area could easily reach it. The remarks of Mr. Bradley and Mr. Hopkins in response to the Commission's questions are EXHIBIT F.

In response to the question of space for future expansion, Mr. Hopkins replied that there was no problem of expansion because it was proposed that a system be established whereby exhibits would be rotated between the museum and a study area located elsewhere.

Under this system developments of primary interest to serious students and scientists could be removed from the Air Museum from time to time to make way for new developments. He also stated that new developments in

rockets and space vehicles would be represented by scale models.

The members were of the opinion that the general concept of the building was excellent and with development of the architectural details the design could offset objections to the appropriateness of an air museum on the Mall.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT G

b. Smithsonian Institution, Museum of History and Technology - Design of Proposed Sculpture

The Commission was asked for its advice on a sculpture by Jose de Rivera to be erected on the South Terrace of the Museum Building. The sculpture, which would consist of a free-form orrery, would be mounted on a 16-foot triangular pylon of granite and would slowly rotate. Mr. Ripley stated that the sculpture had been approved by the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian.

The members voted to approve the sculpture, and the Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the approval. EXHIBIT H

c. Federal Office Building, Gainesville, Florida - Selection of Artist

The Commission was asked for its advice on the selection of an artist to execute stained-glass work at the entrance to the Federal Post Office and Courthouse building in Gainesville, Florida. The artists proposed were Joseph Escuder and Jack Cartlidge.

After examining photographs of samples of each artist's work, the members expressed a preference for the work of Mr. Escuder, but agreed that the final choice should be made by the architect.

The Chairman was authorized to send a letter setting forth the Commission's recommendations. EXHIBIT I

7. District of Columbia Government, Department of Licenses and Inspections - Projected Office Building at Third Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.

Mr. Vlastimil Koubek, architect, and Mr. Julian P. Green, Assistant Superintendent of Licenses and Inspections, met with the Commission to discuss preliminary plans for an office building to be located on Constitution Avenue at Third Street, N.W. Mr. Koubek explained that the building would be constructed over the right-of-way for the Center Leg of the Inner Loop Highway system which will be tunnelled under the Mall and the building site. He pointed out that the building would

occupy a very important site which is separated from Pennsylvania Avenue only by open parkland.

Mr. Koubek showed the members sketches of a proposed building which would be set back from Constitution Avenue a distance of approximately 80 feet as a plaza. A portion of the building would rise to 90 feet, the height permitted under present zoning. The owners would ask for a zoning variance to permit the remainder of the building to go to 110 feet plus, making the elevation approximately 145 feet above water level. The purpose of the plaza would be to provide parking facilities under it and space for outdoor dining and to align the mass of the building with the United States District of Columbia Courthouse.

In the discussion the Chairman pointed out that the proposed increase in height would not be in accord with the concept of plans of the President's Council on Pennsylvania Avenue that the cornice line of buildings on the south side of the Avenue should be retained in the new buildings to be built on the north side with any increase in height to take place near E or F Streets. The other members agreed that a variation in the height regulations such as Mr. Koubek proposed would not be desirable. They also questioned the proposed setback from the established building line and the size and shape of the podium shown in the sketches.

The members advised Mr. Koubek to study the proposals in the Pennsylvania Avenue Plan when it is released in the immediate future.

III. LEGISLATION

a. National Air Museum

The Commission was asked by the Bureau of the Budget for its views on draft legislation "To amend Public Law 722 of the 79th Congress, and Public Law 85-935, relating to the National Air Museum of the Smithsonian Institution." The bill would authorize the appropriation of funds for the construction of the Air Museum and change the name to the National Air and Space Museum.

The Commission voted to send a report favoring enactment of the legislation.

b. Water Resources Education Building - Report of Secretary of the Interior - Request for Views

The Commission was asked by the Bureau of the Budget for its views on a report by the Secretary of the Interior to the House Public Works Committee of Congress. In his report the Secretary stated that the Department of the Interior was opposed to construction of the proposed

building on Federal park land in the District and suggested alternative sites in the Southwest Urban Renewal Area and on the grounds to be vacated by the Bureau of Standards.

Having already reported to Congress its opposition to the construction of the building on the site proposed in H.R. 4712 - on the cross-axis of the Mall near Fifteenth Street and Independence Avenue - the Commission agreed that it should support the Secretary's position. Moreover, it was concluded that the report should suggest that the building should not be constructed on any Federal land.

Thereafter, at 6:00 p.m., the meeting was recessed until 9:30 a.m. on the following day.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Martin

C. L. Martin, Counsel

MEETING OF THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS
14 April 1964

AM
10:15 I. CONVENE, ROOM 7000, INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Approval of Minutes of March 1964 Meeting

2. Date of Next Meeting:
Executive Session: 19 May 1964, 10:15 a.m.
Open Session: 20 May 1964, 9:30 a.m.

III. SUBMISSIONS-REVIEWS-INTERVIEWS

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PM
12:30 4. English Speaking Union

Statue of Sir Winston Churchill
(Dr. Richard Howland)

LUNCH

2:45 5. District of Columbia Government, Department of Highways and Traffic

Traffic Signs for Theodore Roosevelt Bridge & Approaches - Revised Design

(Mr. T.F.Airis, Director of Highways; Mr. William Haussmann, consultant)

3:00 6. General Services Administration, Public Buildings Service

a. Smithsonian Institution, National Air Museum - Proposed Design

(Mr. S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; Mr. James Bradley, Assistant Secretary, Smithsonian Inst.; Mr. Phillip Hopkins, Director, National Air Museum; Mr. Karel Yasko, Assistant Commissioner of Design & Const., GSA, PBS; Mr. J. Rowland Snyder, Director, Design Division, GSA, PBS; Mr. James Jones, Project Manager, GSA, PBS; Mr. Gyo Obata, Architect)

b. Smithsonian Institution, Museum of History & Technology - Inspection of Sculpture

c. Federal Office Building, Gainesville, Florida - Selection of Artist

4:00 7. District of Columbia Government, Department of Licenses and Inspections

Projected office building complex at 3rd St. and Constitution Avenue, N.W.

(Mr. J. P. Green, Assistant Superintendent of Licenses and Permits; Mr. Victor Orsinger, Owner; Mr. Vlastimil Koubek, Architect)

4:30 8. Meeting with Delegation of French Planners

IV. LEGISLATION

Draft Legislation-88th Congress-Bureau of the Budget-Rpt Rqstd

"To amend Public Law 722 of the 79th Congress, and Public Law 85-935, relating to the National Air Museum of the Smithsonian Institution."

H.R.4712, 88th Congress - Water Resources Education Building - Report of Secretary of the Interior - Budget Bureau Report Requested.

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LINTON R. WILSON, Secretary

28 April 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Hartzog:

At its meeting on April 14, the Commission of Fine Arts considered a design for the small pavilions to be erected in the Southwest Neighborhood Park (Lansburgh) at Delaware Avenue between I and M Streets, S.W.

The Commission liked the general concept of the design but felt that certain details were questionable and should be further studied.

Among those discussed were:

- The curvature of the arched roof might possibly be increased, strengthening the profile and giving a more positive structural form.

- The enclosure of steel framing members with wood seemed unnecessarily heavy and inconsistent with otherwise light treatment of roof. Framing should be limited to one material, possibly an all-tubular steel design.

- Conventional bench design, more suited to a completely open area, appeared incongruous in relation to pavilion. It should be simplified and lightened in appearance.

- Bollards and chains should be moved further away from perimeter of structure.

- Variety of colors, especially on lighting fixtures, should be reduced.

The Commission would like to see the larger-scale working drawings when they have been completed.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

William Walton
Chairman

Mr. George B. Hartzog, Jr.
Director
National Park Service
Washington, D. C.

Exhibit A

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April 28, 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Hartzog:

The revised design for the South Boundary Channel Bridge near Columbia Island was considered by the Commission of Fine Arts at its meeting on April 14.

The design was approved, with the suggestion that the horizontal line of the structure be carried through the abutments at both ends, either by setting back the lower portion of the abutments a few inches or by a moulding or recess deep enough within the abutments to give some shadow.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

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April 20, 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Green:

The Commission of Fine Arts, at its meeting on April 15th, considered material samples and designs for roof structures on Building No. 2 of the Watergate apartment complex, Virginia and New Hampshire Avenues, N. W. (S. L. 64-118).

The Commission thought that the color tone of the precast panels was satisfactory but should be considerably darker in value. In order to make a final selection, it would be helpful to erect a full scale mockup in the field so that the affects of natural lighting can be observed.

The variety of roof structures appeared excessive and should be joined together in groups, keeping the skyline of the building simple and orderly. In the same regard, it was recommended that planting be kept to a minimum on the roof and confined to the terrace level.

Sincerely yours,

William Walton

William Walton
Chairman

Mr. Julian P. Green
Assistant Superintendent
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Exhibit C

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28 April 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Dr. Howland:

The Commission of Fine Arts was glad to meet with you and other representatives of the English Speaking Union, on April 14, concerning a location for the statue of Winston Churchill.

As you know, the Commission does not like the proposed site directly in front of the pavilion on the British Embassy Grounds. We feel there would be too much competition between the building and the statue. However, if the statue were moved off the axis of the pavilion to the left on an extension of the brick terrace and planted informally it would at least improve the setting of the sculpture.

The alternative location that was discussed, the small park at Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenue, would be an ideal setting for the statue and our first choice.

You have the views of the Commission and I hope you will find them useful. We appreciate the courtesy of your submitting the project.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

William Walton
Chairman

Dr. Richard H. Howland
1516 33rd Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Exhibit D

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THEODORE ROSZAK — JOHN CARL WARNECKE
LINTON R. WILSON, Secretary

28 April 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear General Duke:

At its meeting on April 14, the Commission of Fine Arts considered revisions to the highway signs proposed for the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Bridge and approaches.

The consulting architect for the Department of Highways, Mr. William Haussmann, presented two basic designs; one showing an open truss structure with sign boards applied; the other showing the truss structure entirely enclosed within the surface of the sign upon which the lettering would be directly painted.

After carefully considering both proposals the Commission approved the latter of the two, which they thought had the advantage of simplicity and would provide a uniform size background for lettering independent of the particular wording of the sign.

The Commission also approved a green color for all painted surfaces but recommended that it be toned down from the standard hue customarily used on the Interstate Highway Systems.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

William Walton
Chairman

Brigadier General C.M.Duke
Engineer Commissioner for the
District of Columbia
District Building
Washington 4, D. C.

Exhibit E

moment.

MR. SASAKI: Well, we havethe representatives of the Smithsonian here. Perhaps you might give us a little insight on why this museum should belong here, you know, as far as the site goes, because obviously one could ask the question whether this should be located on the Mall and show us that you have thought this through and you must have certain justifications.

CHAIRMAN WALTON: Not the building, but the contents.

MR. RIPLEY: Well, I think the main thing we are here talking about is the building, is it not, that's the issue?

CHAIRMAN WALTON: But you can't separate it, having presented it to us with the contents.

MR. RIPLEY: As far as I understand it, this is a building which is supposed to belong to the Smithsonian which is supposed to be a museum. Granted, of course, that everyone knows more about museums than the people who are supposed to live in them, as I understand it, this is a very pleasant and friendly, exciting and nice sort of place to have, and one I'd be happy to live in and granted, again, that the conept of having such sorts of museum buildings, as have been around for a long time on the Mall, I think it is a fine idea tohave such buildings on the Mall and I am all for that.

As far as the problem of the concept of a particular specific museum on the Mall, as I understand it, this is a

museum for air and space, and that has all been firmly legislated about and therefore, as far as I am concerned, as a new secretary of the Smithsonian, I'm walking into a built-in situation.

MR. BRADLEY: Would you like me, Mr. Chairman and with your permission, Mr. Ripley, to get quickly into the history?

CHAIRMAN WALTON: Give us your version.

MR. BRADLEY: This is the true version. I must as a Smithsonian official start and finish with the fact we have an Act of Congress.

CHAIRMAN WALTON: Agreed.

MR. BRADLEY: Agreed, okay. If we go back six years we get back to the same questions and answers you will hear today. Twenty sites were looked at. Various boards, including the Planning Commission, looked at it. This Commission, or its predecessor, did not commit itself, as you know, in 1958. Everyone else in town did. They had big hearings on the Hill, proponents very able, for and against. We had a Regent of the Smithsonian who was going to put theCultural Center here. Another Regent was going to put the Air Museum here. As it turned out, also, to encumber that conversation, there was authority for an art gallery on the Mall somewhere between 4th and 12th and this was the remaining site, so there were

three interests: Senator Anderson worked out an arrangement legislatively whereby the Air Museum got authorized here; the Center, as you very well know, on the banks of the Potomac; and the old Patent Office Building at 9th and F would be transferred to the Smithsonian for art gallery purposes, and that has been done. So this is carrying out that legislative plan by Act of Congress.

In studying all of the sites, in studying all of the literature I could get ahold of, the over-riding consideration, Mr. Walton, and ladies and gentlemen, is that here is the Smithsonian, what used to be called the Smithsonian Park years ago; and here's the Smithsonian (indicating). Everything except the Secretary of Agriculture's headquarters is Smithsonian. That was the over-riding consideration that we wanted a building where the people would get to it. We did not want a hangar in Bolling Field. Everybody has suggested that. We didn't want that because it is an operational building. The Smithsonian is a historical type of museum complex.

So what we are interested in is getting a building on the Mall where the people are. What we are trying to do is put people in to see objects in a building that on the exterior will look what you gentlemen might think to be compatible with such stately surroundings, but what we're interested in is getting people inside a building, where

appropriately they can look at three-dimensional objects. That is what a museum is. It is no more appropriate to suggest that the air museum has to be in a hangar than the National History Museum should be against some sort of artificial jungle.

We can go around and around and that's about where we come out.

MRS. SAARINEN: All right, now what about the expansion problem?

MR. BRADLEY: We have no expansion problem.

MRS. SAARINEN: Why not?

MR. BRADLEY: Because we can't afford one.

MRS. SAARINEN: Excuse me. When I speak of expansion, I'm speaking in terms of 20 or 25 years not in terms of your immediate budgetary problems. I'm talking about a developing space age and I am talking about a branch of objects which presumably will change beyond the realms of any of our imaginations, and I'm asking you how you would envisage the display of this.

When the National Gallery of Art was built, it was 10 per cent filled at its beginning. You are starting with a building that will be filled --

MR. RIPLEY: I think Mr. Hopkins can answer that.

MR. HOPKINS: I would be very happy to. I would

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28 April 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Boutin:

The Commission of Fine Arts, at its meeting on April 14, considered the preliminary designs for the National Air Museum on a location south of the Mall across from the National Gallery of Art.

The Commission, as you know, has previously expressed reservations about the appropriateness of this institution on the Mall and whether the space would be adequate for such big displays. While these may still be legitimate questions, the problem of obtaining a building architecturally suited to this location is more important in the Commission's view and could, with a good enough solution, offset other objections to the program.

The design presented by Mr. Obata appears to meet this criteria. The massing and general proportions related well to other buildings along the Mall, and such elements as the cross axis established by the main entrance to the National Gallery would be reflected in the plans of the new building. In short, the architectural expression seems to fit the context of the building very well.

We will, of course, be concerned with the detailed development of the design, the materials, the fenestration, the interior public spaces, etc. At this stage of development, however, the Commission is optimistic over the final outcome of the design, and congratulates you on your choice of the architect.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

William Walton
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Exhibit G

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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Boutin:

The Commission of Fine Arts, at its meeting on April 14, approved a model of the proposed orrery by Jose de Rivera, which is to be placed in front of the south entrance of the new Museum of History and Technology Building.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

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Exhibit H

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28 April 1964

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT BUILDING
WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Boutin:

The Commission of Fine Arts, at its meeting on April 14, considered the selection of two artists, Joseph Escuder and Jack Cartlidge, who have been proposed for the execution of stained glass panels in the new Federal Office Building in Gainesville, Florida.

The Commission studied photographs of the works of both artists, and concluded that each is technically competent to execute the proposed work. The members preferred the examples submitted by Mr. Escuder, but would like to recommend that the architect make the final selection if there are any strong personal preferences involved.

For the Commission of Fine Arts:

Sincerely yours,

William Walton
Chairman

Mr. Bernard Boutin
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General Services Administration
Washington, D. C.

Exhibit F

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON SHIPSTEAD-LUCE ACT SUBMISSIONS

APR 14 1964

NO SL 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
92	415-12th St., NW Earl M. Foreman, Jerry Wolman, Trustees	Rev. of Inf. SL 64-24. New 12-story limestone office building
ACTION: Disap'd. See attached letter dtd. 3/27/64 to Asst. Superintendent of Licenses & Permits		
94	2401 Calvert St., NW H.G.Smithy Co.(Calvert House)	One 40 sq-ft, s-f sign. Black ltrs., on white bckgd. Hooded fluorescent tube over sign. Tempo. on stilts.
ACTION: App'd., 2/25/64		
95	26th & G Sts., NW Watergate Development Inc.	Erect sub contractor office and storage.
ACTION: App'd as a temporary construction shed. 3/6/64.		
96	617 23d St., NW Colonial Parking Inc.	Erect attendants control house (shed)
ACTION: App'd., 3/27/64		
97	2701 Chesapeake St., NW Mortin H. Wilner	New swimming pool and filter house. Additional stone & sapling fence to match existing.
ACTION: App'd., 3/17/64		
98	1900 F St., NW Geo. Washington University	Erect temporary construction sign.
ACTION: App'd., provided sign is located midway between corner of bldg. & entranceway, facing parallel to "F" St. Sign to be dark green with white ltrs., 3/27/64.		
99(Inf)	NW Corner of 22d St. & Va. Ave., NW Riverside Apts., Ltd.	9-story apartment building
ACTION: See attached ltr. dtd. 3/27/64 to Ass't. Superintendent of Licenses and Permits.		
100 Inf.	500 No. Capitol St., NW Frank J. Rooner, c/o Alan Lockman	8-story office bldg. Underground parking.
ACTION: See attached ltr. dtd. 3/27/64 to Ass't. Superintendent of Licenses & Permits.		

NO SL 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
103	1015 Pa. Ave., NW Save-Mor Drug Co.	Alteration to existing show windows.

ACTION: Aluminum to be painted gray, and the ceramic tile to be a shade darker grey. Omit tile on sides of column above base of showwindow, 3/27/64.

104	201 D St., NE John & Geo. Paleologos t/a - The Assembly Restaurant	1 s-f, 8 1/2 sq-ft sign. Dark red individual ltrs. Neon back-lighted.

ACTION: App'd., provided work "The" be increased to 10" in height, & a white backlighting be substituted for dark red, 3/25/64.

105	5620 Oregon Ave., NW Lionel Epstein	Construct tennis pavilion (an accessory bldg.)

ACTION: App'd., 3/23/64.

93	700-17th St., NW Oliver T. Carr	Rev. of SL 64-67. New office building.

ACTION: Disap'd. See attached ltr. dtd. 4/6/64 to Ass't. Superintendent of Licenses & Permits, 4/6/64

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON SHIPSTEAD-LUCE ACT APPLICATIONS 4/14/64

NO SL 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
101	20 E St., NW Columbia Realty Trust	Erect steel stairw/aluminum canopy & place new door at exist. window.
ACTION: App'd. Submit sample of proposed awning material. Recom. a single neutral color; no stripes, 4/9/64.		
102	475 H St., NW Mr M. Paul Hannan	2 x 8' real-estate sign.
ACTION: Disap'd. Suggest tempo. signs, black & white, behind window, 4/10/64.		
106	522-21st St., NW Oliver T. Carr, Jr., et al	Erect covering over sidewalk & erect tempo. off. & sheds on top of walkway.
ACTION: App'd. as a tempo. constr. shed. Color to be gray, 4/3/64.		
107	2500 Va. Ave., NW Watergate Realty	2 s-f, real-estate signs. Approx. 40 sq-ft.
ACTION: App'd. as a tempo. constr. sign. Top panel to be limited to name of project, 4/3/64.		
108	451 Penna. Ave., NW U. S. Gov't. (U.S.O. Club)	1 d-f, 12 sq-ft sign. Red, white, & blue. White neon.
ACTION: Ret'd. for verification of compliance with applicable D. C. Regulations. (Exposed neon lighting not in conformance with S. L. Section of Sign Regulations), 4/9/64.		
110	1600 Portal Dr., NW Frederick Drew	Install air-cond. unit on conc. slab on grade in rear yard.
ACTION: No objection, 4/2/64.		
113	732-17th St., NW Greystone, Inc.	1 s-f, 5 sq-ft sign. Channel ltrs. mounted on exist. bckgd. w/single tube white neon behind each ltr.
ACTION: App'd., provided face of ltrs. be opaque, 4/10/64.		

APPENDIX 1

NO SL 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
111	1815 Quincy St., NW Mr & Mrs Robert Bee	1-story & basem. dwelling. Brick & cinder-block.

ACTION: Disap'd. Recom. more uniform fenestration on side elevations and also consider design of chimney in comparison with conventional treatment of house, 4/14/64.

112	343 First St., NE Plaza Hotel	Construct exterior vestibule.

ACTION: App'd., 4/13/64.

109	2502 Calvert St., NW Shoreham West	Rev. of SL 64-81. Construct 8-story apt. bldg.

ACTION: App'd. Proposed bldg. has no material effect on Rock Creek Park, 4/14/64.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON OLD GEORGETOWN ACT APPLICATIONS

APR 8 1964

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
211	3223 M St., NW Lloyd Hydes (Commercial)	Rev. of OG 64-211. Remodel store front with glass & brick.

ACTION: See O. G. 64-230.

213	3218 M St., NW John Snyder (Restaurant)	Remove exist. showwindow & front. Recess door opening.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided doors of a more suitable Fed. design be substituted for ones proposed. Submit rev. design, 3/11/64.

215	2901 M St., NW Manhattan Auto	Rev. of OG 64-172. 1 d-f free-standing sign. 10 sq-ft. Painted on copy with light from outside source. Black ltrs. on white bckgd.

ACTION: See OG 64-228.

218	1424 Wisc. Ave., NW Morris Cohen (Store)	Rev. of Inf. OG 64-35. Constr. new front & showwindows & erect additions.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Restudy front elevation, retaining general proportions, scale & character of exist. facade. Suggest setting back new entr. addn. on left side 1'-2' & substituting a showwindow of Fed. style for colonial bow window. Also retain exist. cornice, 3/18/64.

220	3150 M St., NW Peter Heon (Commercial)	Rev. of OG 64-113. Replace exist. door opening with window. Substitute 4" brick veneer for 1" applied brick facing (at 1st fl. level only).

ACTION: Recom'd. Request sample of brick, 3/11/64.

221	3006 Dent Pl., NW Francis C. Stetson	Rev. of OG 64-194. Enclose exist. screen porch at rear. Build new basem. steps at front.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided rear addn. brick throughout. If there are any structural problems in this recom., please advise, 3/4/64.

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
222	1802 Wisc. Ave., NW Sam Levy (Commercial)	Convert dwelling to store. Veneer front wall. Add bay to front.
ACTION: Recom'd., 3/4/64.		
223	1804 Wisc. Ave., NW Peter C. Laganas	Rev. of OG 64-204. Enlarge window opening, install new door frame & door. Repair front landing.
ACTION: Ret'd. Insufficient detail shown on application drawings. Recom. following changes: Lower bow window slightly & incorporate appropriate trim at cornice. Substitute suitable architrave around door. Add transom to match height of bow window, & wrought iron rail on new brick steps, 3/4/64.		
224	3423 Reservoir Rd., NW Harold Elwyn	Rev. of OG 64-198. Remodel for 1-bedrm. dwelling.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised, 3/4/64.		
225	3068-70 M St., NW Stuart Davidson (Commercial)	Rev. of OG 64-192. Revised addn. to exist. bldg.
ACTION: Recom'd. Suggest soldier courses over openings & a band course at fl. line. No sketch request'd. 3/4/64.		
226	1901 Wisc. Ave., NW Dart Drug, Inc.	Rev. of OG 64-187. Relocate exist. sign & constr. overhead hood lighting. Sign centered in frieze.
ACTION: Not recom'd. No obj. to lowering sign as proposed, provided letters be left unpainted & slimline flood-lighting be omitted, 3/18/64.		
227	3336 Prospect St., NW Mrs Olga Foley	Install light fixture on front of bldg.
ACTION: Light recom. Door & hardware incongruous with rest of house, 3/11/64.		

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
228	2901 M St., NW Manhattan Auto	Erect 1 d-f painted sign with exterior lights. Black ltrs. on white bckgd. Sign located on exist. pipe.
ACTION: Recom'd., provided exist. pole lowered to 12' high, eliminating lights on top & that sign be lettered in same style as sign on bldg. at 2819 M St., NW, 3/10/64.		
229	2819 M St., NW Manhattan Auto	1 s-f sign. Black ltrs. white light. Ltrs. to be lighted with indirect neon.
ACTION: Recom'd., provided ltrs. be vertical, not slanted as shown on application. Also submit sketch showing sign drawn on elevation of bldg., 3/4/64.		
230	3223 M St., NW Lloyd Hydes	Rebuild present showwindow. Install new fixed glazed sash, trim, jamb, exterior doors.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised. Woodwork & trim to be painted white, 3/11/64.		
231	3529 O St., NW Paul Flint	Install outside gas light on pole. Light to be located at top of stoop.
ACTION: Recom'd., 3/11/64.		
232	1049 Thos. Jeff. St., NW Jefferson Spring Service.	Painting sign above garage doors.
ACTION: Recom'd., provided top of sign align with top of door on right, 3/11/64.		
233	1525-29th St., NW Francis G. Addison, III	New 3-story signle family residence.
ACTION: Superseded by OG 64-244, 3/18/64.		

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
234	2724 P St., NW Helen Jackson	Erect walk, steps, stoop & area to lst fl. & basement.
ACTION: Ret'd. for elevation of house showing conditions after removal of porch & excavation for new entranceway, 3/11/64.		
235	1203-05 28th St., NW R. E. Fairfax	Install 1 60-watt carriage lantern on wall at front entr.
ACTION: Recom'd. Lighting fixtures already in place, 3/11/64.		
236	3401 M St. Max Pipe & Drum	Grease duct.
ACTION: Recom'd., provided grease duct be painted to match roofing, 3/24/64.		
237	3403 P St., NW Elizabeth A. Burton	Chestnut split sapling fencing.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised on drawings, 3/24/64.		
238	3401 P St., NW E. A. Burton	Make alteration to bldg.
ACTION: Recom'd., provided both fences terminate at same height above grade on a level line, 3/24/64.		
240	2901 M St., NW Manhattan Auto	Wood sign mounted on projecting arm off of 6" main support pipe. Painted. Lighted from overhead lamps.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised, 3/18/64.		
241	2819 M St., NW Manhattan Auto	Channel ltrs. reversed with backlighting white neon.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised, 3/20/64.		

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
242	2724 P St., NW Helen Jackson	Erect walk, steps, stoops & area to lst fl. & basement, all back of bldg. line.

ACTION: Ret'd. for complete elevation of basem. wall. Substitute 2 d/h windows with rectangular panes for casement window, 3/24/64.

243	3233-35 M St., NW Morris & Ida Cohen (Commercial)	Renovate & alterate exist. front elevation for a lst fl. restaurant.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Restudy for more suitable Fed. character, recognizing exist. bldgs. on site, APR 8 1964

244	1525-29th St., NW Francis Addison, III	New 3-story & basement dwelling.

ACTION: Recom'd. as revised. Wooden trim & shutters to be painted white, 3/18/64.

245	3006 Cambridge Pl., NW Wallace & Mary Deuel	6' white board fence.

ACTION: Recom'd., 3/24/64.

246	1315-31st St., NW Mrs Harold Coolidge	Revised elevation - Garage.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided design revised with taller recessed brick panels. Also substitute garage door with square panels. See attached sketch, 3/24/64.

247	Rear 2920 R St., NW Philip Graham	1 coach light on front wall; 1 coach light on back wall; 1 floodlight on front under eaves.

ACTION: Recom'd., 3/24/64.

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
248	1228-30th St., NW Gordon Gray	This sketch expands previous submittal per your request. Lattice work for arch openings under proposed new brick stoop.
ACTION: Recom'd., 3/24/64.		
249	2517 P St., NW Emma Williams	Install entr. light.
ACTION: Recom'd. A slightly larger light would be more desirable, 3/24/64.		
250	2926 P St., NW Wm. B. Fisher	Alterations.
ACTION: Recom'd. for parts visible from a public highway, 3/24/64.		
251	1210 Wisc. Ave., NW T. Weaver & Sons, Inc.	Repair fire damage & rebuild facade.
ACTION: Recom'd., 3/24/64.		
252	2721 N St., NW Adrian Fisher	Constr. brick-faced addn. to exist. dwelling.
ACTION: Recom'd., 3/24/64.		
253	2517 P St., NW Emma P. Williams	W. I. Railings painted black. Each side of front door & across 2 front 1st fl. windows.
ACTION: Recom'd. for 2 grilles on stoop. Suggest omission of window grilles if not needed for any practical reason, 3/24/64.		

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
254	2905 N St., NW John B. Lawson	Raze roof of garage. Build 6'-8" br. fence. Build storage shed.

ACTION: Recom'd. for parts visible from public highway, 4/3/64.

Inf.

255	3200 S St., NW Mr & Mrs J. R. Hunt	Erect packaged aluminum & glass greenhouse.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided structure moved south approx. 5' away from wall, 4/3/64.

256	3400 Reservoir Rd., NW Mr & Mrs Cecil F. Hilleary	Add new 3rd fl. New face brick & brick garden wall.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided (1) Entranceway is restudied with a rectangular opening & 6-panel door; (2) That a base be provided for the arches; (3) That the dimensions of the air-cond. unit on the roof be supplied; (4) & that 3rd-fl. doors on east elevation be restudied, using same size lights as 2nd-fl. windows. Omit center bar in transom. Also submit sketch of revised design, & sample of the brick to be used, 4/3/64.

257	1258 Wisc. Ave., NW Bishop Equip. Co.	1 green & white canvas awn. over front entr. No fixed iron frames or posts.

ACTION: Ret'd. for an accurate scale elevation drawing showing relation of awning to bldg. Also suggest roll-type awning, omitting side valance, all lettering. Omit stripes, color to be tan or green, 4/3/64.

258	1423-33rd St., NW John Binstead	Replace wire fence with new 6½' white cedar screen fence.

ACTION: Recom'd., 3/31/64.

259	1425-33rd St., NW John A. Downes	Same as OG 64-258.

ACTION: Recom'd., 3/31/64.

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
260	3327 Q St., NW Mrs Thelma Bowden	Constr. new 2-story br. addn. on rear, & other alterations.

ACTION: Recom'd. for parts visible from a public highway, 3/31/64.

261	1628-32nd St., NW Mr. Nicholas Gibbs	Addns. & alterations.

ACTION: Recom'd. for parts vis. from a public highway, provided a smaller rectangular window substituted for arched opening. Also omit bottom panel. Submit revised design, 4/3/64.

262	1424 Wisc. Ave., NW Morris Cohen (Store)	Rev. of OG 64-218. Remodel exist. showwindows. Constr. addn. in rear & on side.

ACTION: Recom'd., as revised, 3/31/64.

239	1804 Wisc. Ave., NW Peter C. Laganas	Enlarge window opening. Install new door frame & door. Repair front landing.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided details of cornice & sill of showwindow are constructed as shown on attached sketch. Also entr. steps & stoop to be brick. Wood trim to be painted white, 4/3/64.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON OLD GEORGETOWN ACT APPLICATIONS 5/19/64

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
300	1629 Wisc. Ave., NW The Thomas Company	Signs.

ACTION: Sign over showwindow on front elevation recom'd. as revised. Sign over garage entr. on rear parking lot recom'd., provided ltrs. are reduced to 6" in height. Style of lettering to match exist., 5/12/64.

301	3315 Dent Pl., NW Mrs Ann Denton Blair	Constr. sitting rm. on 2nd fl. above exist. study.

ACTION: Recom'd., 5/12/64.

302	1645 Wisc. Ave., NW Steven Marit	1 d-f oval sign, approx. 3 sq-ft. Installed on exist. light pole. Marine plywood. Gold ltrs., white bckgd. Black outline.

ACTION: Also, limit text of sign to name of business, 5/12/64.

303	1045-30th St., NW Clara N. Lingenfelter	1 s-f, 250 sq-ft tempo. sign, attached to fence. Plywood. Black ltrs. on white bckgd.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided sign is reduced in size to 3' high by 4' wide, & located below top of fence no less than 6", 5/12/64.

306	2617 P St., NW Robert G. Enzel	Rev. of OG 64-298. Details as requested by CFA.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided no toothed brick jointing on 2nd fl. over corner entr. Also submit sample of brick for review of color. Trim to be painted white, 5/14/64.

307	2813 Olive St., NW Mrs Franklin Mott Gunther	Reroofing house using cary fire chex shingles class A type.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided color is rustic black, No. 11, 5/12/64.

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
292	1671-34th St., NW Sampson Invest. Co.	Changes in approved elevations.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Request adherence to previously app'd. design submitted under OG 64-86, dtd. 9/27/63, 5/19/64.

293 1675-34th St., NW — Changes in approved elevations.
Southampton Invest. Corp.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Request adherence to previously app'd. design submitted under OG 64-88, dtd. 9/27/63, 5/19/64.

309 3400 Reservoir Rd., NW — Rev. of OG 64-256. Alterations to change exist. frame store bldg. to a brick residence with brick garden wall.
Mr & Mrs Cecil F. Hilleary

ACTION: Recom'd., 5/13/64.

Inf.
280 1401 Wisc. Ave., NW — 1-story drug store & parking lot.
Peoples Drug Stores, Inc.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Suggest restudy of proportions & scale of openings, general mass of bldg., & location of principal entranceway. North & east elevations visible from public space & should also be carefully designed, 5/19/64.

308 3300 Whitehaven St., NW — Rev. of OG 64-299. 5-story brick office bldg.
2001 Associates

ACTION: Siting & general character recom'd. Request more unified treatment of penthouse design, introduction of set backs on rear elevation to further reduce scale of mass, introduction of cornice at 5th fl. terrace & penthouse carried around bldg. on all sides, & elimination of heavy quoin treatment on corners. Also substitute 2 structural columns on either side of entranceway for single column in center & revise entr. accordingly, 5/19/64.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON OLD GEORGETOWN ACT APPLICATIONS 4/14/64

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
263	2813 M St., NW Cauffman Bldg.	Rev. of OG 64-212. New front.

ACTION: Recom'd., provided projection of capitals on pilasters is reduced & mouldings on cornice be the same character as those submitted with OG 64-212. Also question the effectiveness of lighting scheme for proposed sign. Submit revised sketch, 4/7/64.

264	3122 M St., Georgetown Haberdasher	Remove structural glass facing & replace with brick & slate.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Restudy for more suitable Fed. character. Eliminate shingled hood; substitute 6-paneled door with appropriate trim for 2nd fl. entry, & revise treatment of exist. showwindow, APR 1 4 1964

265	1521-31st St., NW Fred. T. Merrill	2 carriage lamps to be installed at either side of front door.

ACTION: Recom'd., 4/7/64.

266	1015 Wisc. Ave., NW Richard J. Donohoe, Trustee	4' brick-facde cinder-block ret. wall.

ACTION: Recom'd., 4/7/64.

267	3000 M St., NW Sinclair Refining Co.	Install one 4x18' internally illuminated sign on poles along west side property line. Remove 2 neon signs & 1 cut-out-ltr. sign on bldg. & replace with 2 non-illum'd. cut-out ltr. signs.

ACTION: Not recom'd. Size of sign & type of illumination not in accordance with D. C. Bldg. Code. Also character of sign does not conform to purposes of Old Georgetown Act, P. L. 808-81st Congress, APR 1 4 1964

268	1628-32nd St., NW Mr & Mrs N. Gibbs	Addn. & alterations.

ACTION: Recom'd. Suggest setting window panel back within opening as far as practical, 4/7/64.

APPENDIX 2

NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
269	2724 P St., NW Helen Jackson	Rev. of OG 64-242. Erect walk, steps, stoops & area to 1st. fl. & basem. Back of bldg. line.
ACTION: Recom'd. for parts visible from public highway, 4/7/64.		
270	1339 Wisc. Ave., NW American Security & Trust Co.	Alter exist. 2-story off. bldg. to provide banking facilities on 1st fl. & offices on 2nd fl.
ACTION: Recom'd., with exception of 4' wall on Dumbarton Ave. Submit sketch showing treatment of openings, & relation to adjoining bldg. on east, 4/7/64.		
272	1339 Wisc. Ave., NW American Security & Trust Co.	Sketch of openings as requested in OG 64-270.
ACTION: Recom'd., 4/10/64.		
273	1525-29th St., NW Francis Addison, III	Rev. of OG 64-244. New 3-story & basem. dwelling.
ACTION: Recom'd. as revised, 4/13/64.		

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271	3107 M St., NW Monkey Business Restaurant	1 s-f, 18-sq-ft plywood sign. Antique finish.
ACTION: Ret'd. for clarification of dimensions of sign in relation to bldg. Suggest omission of back board & frame around figures, making them free-standing cut-outs, 4/21/64.		
274	27th & N St., NW D. C. Government	Loading dock.
ACTION: Recom'd., 4/21/64.		
275	3200 S St., NW Mr & Mrs James Hunt	Rev. of OG 64-255. Erect glass & aluminum greenhouse on brick foundation walls.
ACTION: Recom'd., 4/21/64.		
276	1629 Wisc. Ave., NW The Thomas Co.	3 signs. 1 d-f. 2 s-f. Signs in place.
ACTION: Not recom'd. Eliminate sign on garage. Eliminate reference to products on sign over showwindow, limiting sign to name of business. Sign over showwindow to be redesigned accordingly. Submit sketch, APR 2 8 1964		
277	3218 M St., NW John Snyder	Replace & recess exist. front doors.
ACTION: Recom'd., 4/21/64.		
281	3200 M St., NW Rive Gauche Restaurant	Install coach lights at side entr.
ACTION: Recom'd., 4/21/64.		

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NO OG 64-	ADDRESS AND OWNER	PROJECT
282	1346-29th St., NW Marjorie Wallop	Install coach light at front entr.
ACTION:	Not recom'd. Proposed location unsuited to new fixture, APR 2 8 1964	
283	1628-32nd St., NW Mr & Mrs Nicholas Gibbs	Rev. of OG 64-268. Addn. & alterations.
ACTION:	Recom'd., 4/22/64.	